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Otamarakau School

TERM DATES: Term 1 - 4th Feb - 12th Apr, Term 2—29th April - 5th July, Term 3—22nd July - 27th Sept, Term 4—14th Oct - 18th Dec

Mission Statement - "Together We Build Life-Long Learners"

Term 2 Week 7 — 13th June 2019

AWESOME, RESPECT, OWNERSHIP, HONESTY, ACTIVE LEARNER =

AROHĀ

Kia ora koutou katoa

Dance Showcase - reminder closing early Wednesday 19th June

Not long until our dance showcase. The children have been putting in a lot of time to fine tune their performance. Just a reminder that on the 19th of June we will be closing school at 12:30 to ensure we get to our rehearsal on time. Thank you to all those parents who have offered transport to and from for this event. Tickets can be purchased from Baycourt or Ticketek.

Cross-country

The weather played ball for us on Thursday although cold the sun did shine. All of our students participated so very well and enjoyed the experience of dodging the odd cow patt. Thank you to all of our parents who supported this event we really enjoy seeing you all there. Congratulations to our students who competed yesterday at the Te Puke Cluster Cross Country at Pongakawa school. Finn Anderson, Tayla Knight and Cruz Beaver have all qualified for the WBOP Cross Country—good luck to you all. Lily Anderson qualified for the BOP Zone Cross Country Championship.

Play Based Equipment Needed

Our MUD KITCHEN and BUILDERS BENCH - we have purchased two new pieces of equipment for our play based learning journey. We'd love you to dig to the back of your cupboards and sheds to see if you have any of the items listed below that you wouldn't mind donating to us.

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| - Kitchen bowls | - Hammers |
| - Pot and pans | - Screwdrivers |
| - Utensils | - Old tools |
| - Nails | - Builders belts |
| - Offcuts of wood | - LEGO |

We all know the saying "Someone else's trash is someone's treasure". We'd love some treasures for our play.

Gymnastics Festival Te Puke Gym Sport

We had many children participating on Friday, and in true style Otamarakau children did us all so very proud.

Well done to all the students who competed: Waimaria Keenan, Jayel Blake-Watson, Grace Metcalfe, Mellina Walker, April Timoti-Reha, Hunter Knight, Ryder Ballingall, Heavenjot Brar, Willem Lepper-Blackett, Ariki Jones, Finn Anderson, Sam Blennerhassett, Ethan Wylie, George Flowerday, Reuben Barnett, Jude Lepper-Blackett, Hayley Boreham, Tayla Knight, Wendy Keenan, Aaliyah Schuster & Alicia Murray.

Results are:

Girls Springers Novice Year 2-4 *3rd place team* = Waimaria Keenan, Jayel Blake-Watson, Grace Metcalfe & Mellina Walker.

Boys Springers Novice Year 2-4 *2nd place team* = Hunter Knight, Ryder Ballingall, Willem Lepper-Blackett & Ariki Jones. Hunter Knight *2nd individual* and Ryder Ballingall *4th individual*.

Boys Springers Novice Year 5-6 *1st place team* = Finn Anderson, Sam Blennerhassett & Jude Lepper-Blackett.

2nd place team = Ethan Wylie, George Flowerday, & Reuben Barnett. Finn Anderson *1st place individual*, Sam Blennerhassett *2nd place individual*, Ethan Wylie *3rd place individual*.

Congratulations to you all and thank you to our parents who transported children there and back. Without your support we wouldn't be able to offer these experiences.

Board Elections Closed

Thank you all for the elections. It's a timely process and one that we are very excited about. The applications closed Friday the 7th June. I'd personally like to acknowledge our outgoing board, Mike Blennerhassett, Steven Knight, Katrina Anderson and Sam Webb. Andrew Wylie is standing again for re-election. I'd like to thank each and every one of you personally for the support you've given me in my time as Principal here at Otamarakau School. You all gave me an opportunity to lead Otamarakau, which I am extremely thankful for. Your work and continued support of the school is greatly appreciated.

Andrea Dance—Principal

WELCOME

A huge warm welcome to our new students: Jesse Beckham, Eden and Casey Mihaka-Ushaw, Camdyn Ratana, Madi Uiterwijk and Olive Adams. Please give them a friendly wave and smile when you see them next.



Teacher Only Day—Friday 5th July

School will be closed on Friday 5th of July for a teacher only day.

Therefore the last day of term 2 will be Thursday 4th of July.

PIANO/KEYBOARD LESSONS

Please register your interest at the office for Piano/keyboard lessons for your child/ren. Lessons will be starting on Monday's from 10am in term 3. Jennifer Allen is excited to come and teach our students here at school.

Lessons will be \$20 per student for group lessons (2-4 students) or \$30 per student for one-on-one tutorial



PTA MAIZE SCRAMBLE SUNDAY 7TH JULY

The PTA need helpers and marshals for our Maize Scramble on the 7th of July. We also require help for the BBQ on the day. Please get in touch if you can assist.

Crochet/Knitting

We are looking for volunteers to come and work with our students to create some beautiful works of art to decorate our school and trees. Liz Casserly has kindly offered her help but we need more volunteers! We also need donations of acrylic wool, knitting needles and crochet hooks. Please get in touch if you can help with any of these.

Te Puke Gymsport Gymnastics Festival



Fresh Moves Dance Festival - Wednesday 19th June

All students will be required to wear black shorts for the performance - t-shirts will be provided—please ensure the **shorts are brought to school by Friday 14th June.**

Due to our whole school participating, the school will be closing at 12.30pm this day so that everyone can attend the rehearsal.

Certificate

PRINCIPAL AWARDS
Congratulations to the following students who received Principal awards for Week 4

Week 4	NAME	DETAILS
Room 1	Kaeda Kaiawe	For being an awesome leader, demonstrating kindness and encouragement when other students are trying to overcome a challenge. Ka mau te wehi e tama!
Room 1	Manaia File	Thank you for being an amazing student. You have been such a humble, respectful, caring student in Room 1. The leadership skills you have will enable you to achieve success as you transition into your new school. We will miss you. Your new school is lucky to be enrolling such an awesome student like you! Ka nui te aroha ki a koe Manaia. Arohanui Room 1.
Room 1	Rico File	Thank you for being our super little Rico. You have been such a hardworking, kind, caring student in Room 1. I know your new school is going to love you just as we have at Otamarakau School. Keep rocking your dance moves because that's who you are! Continue to aim high and be the best that you can be. Ka nui te aroha ki a koe Rico. Arohanui Room 1.
Room 2	Jayel Blake-Watson	Jayel, you have been trying so hard to show AROHA in and out of the classroom. I am impressed with your beautiful mat manners and the way you help others on your table. Keep up the good work Jayel!
Room 3	Annabelle Hodgson	Annabelle is making progress in all areas of school. Annabelle is taking ownership when leading our room 3 milk drinking. Well done Annabelle!
Room 3	Ani Stowell	Ani has been an absolute pleasure to teach. She is always polite and hard working. Ani has been starting to speak up and demonstrate her excellence in leadership. She will be dearly missed by her Otamarakau School whanau. All the best to our special friend. Arohanui from Room 3 xx P.S Make sure you visit!
Room 4	Henare Keenan	Thank you for your commitment to our Rippa Rugby team this week Henare. You showed passion and determination as you continued to play even though you weren't feeling well. Ka mau te wehi e tama!



BOT Elections

Declaration of Parent and Staff Election Results

Votes received for the 18 month term:

ADAMS, Josh - 12 valid votes
 BENNETT, Ararina - 26 valid votes
 WYLIE, Andrew - 18 valid votes

Invalid votes—NIL

I hereby declare the following duly elected for the 18 month term: Ararina Bennett and Andrew Wylie

At the close of nominations on 24th May 2019 noon, as the number of valid nominations for the 3 year term was equal the number of vacancies required to be filled, I hereby declare the following duly elected:

HOLE, Nick
 HYLAND, Rochelle
 JAMES, Rikki

Our new Otamarakau School Board of Trustee's are:

3 Year Term:

HOLE, Nick
 HYLAND, Rochelle
 JAMES, Rikki

18 Month Term:

BENNETT, Ararina
 WYLIE, Andrew

SMITH, Aneta—Staff Representative
 DANCE, Andrea—Principal

Kayleen Metcafe—Returning Officer

**SCHOOL
TRUSTEE
ELECTIONS**

School Calendar

Room 1 Return from Sports Camp—Friday 14th June

Epro8 Challenge Yrs 5&6—Friday 14th June

PTA Meeting—Monday 3pm 17th June in the library **ALL WELCOME**

Fresh Move Dance Festival Whole School (**School closing at 12.30pm**)—Wednesday 19th June

WBOP Cross Country & BOP Zone Cross Country—Wednesday 19th June

Argos Gymnastics Festival Yrs 3&4—Friday 21st June

Matariki Celebration—Wednesday 26th June

BOP Table Tennis Camps Yr 7 & 8—Thursday 27th June

Argos Gymnastics Festival Yrs 5&6—Friday 28th June

BOP Quick Rip Yr 7 & 8—Tuesday 2nd July

Sand Dune Planting Whole School—Thursday 4th July

TEACHER ONLY DAY SCHOOL CLOSED—Friday 5th July

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

1st Day of Term 3—Monday 22nd July

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club runs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8.30am - 9.00am and is available to all students.



Please bring a named plate & spoon.



Lost Property

The bin is overflowing and **will be taken to the salvation army next week**—this is your last chance to check it!



Rabbit Hutch & Chicken Coop Wanted

We are wanting to expand our animals here at Otamarakau School—if you have or know of a chicken coop and rabbit hutch please let us know.

PTA Meeting

This Monday 3pm 17th June in the school library. All welcome—we'd love to see some new faces to join us in supporting the school with our fundraisers.

Strep Throat

Please have your child checked if they have a sore throat, it can lead to rheumatic fever. We have had a few cases of strep throat in the school.

Sausage Sizzle

Every Thursday 12.30pm. \$2 each. Please hand your money to the seniors when they visit the classes in the morning. Cut off for sausage orders is 9.30am

Otamarakau Kindergarten



A short stroll down the road from our school, is Otamarakau Kindergarten. Enrolment forms are available at our school office or contact the kindy team on:

Email: otamarakau@ikindergartens.nz Phone: 07 533 3340 Address: 2244 Old Coach Road, Pukehina 3186

“Today I shall behave, as if this is the day I will be remembered.”

—Dr Suess

